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## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

## FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

V.

ROBERT ANTHONY MORENO, a/k/a Weasel,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 03-50502

D.C. No. CR-02-00671-AHM-02

**MEMORANDUM**\*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Central District of California A. Howard Matz, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted October 11, 2005\*\*

Before: T.G. NELSON, WARDLAW, and TALLMAN, Circuit Judges.

Robert Anthony Moreno appeals from his conviction and the 256-month sentence imposed for conspiracy to commit bank robbery, in violation of 18 U.S.C.

<sup>\*</sup> This disposition is not appropriate for publication and may not be cited to or by the courts of this circuit except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

<sup>\*\*</sup> This panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

§ 371, armed bank robbery, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2113(a)(d), and use of a firearm during a crime of violence, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 924(c).

Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), counsel for Moreno has filed a brief stating there are no grounds for relief, and a motion to withdraw as counsel of record. Moreno has not filed a pro se supplemental brief.

We have conducted an independent review of the record pursuant to *Penson* v. Ohio, 488 U.S. 75, 83 (1988). We affirm the conviction. We dismiss the appeal of the sentence in light of the valid appeal waiver. See United States v. Nguyen, 235 F.3d 1179, 1182 (9th Cir. 2000) (stating that an appeal waiver is valid when it is entered into knowingly and voluntarily); see also United States v. Cardenas, 405 F.3d 1046, 1048 (9th Cir. 2005) (holding that the changes in sentencing law imposed by United States v. Booker, 125 S. Ct. 738 (2005), did not render waiver of appeal involuntary and unknowing).

Counsel's motion to withdraw as counsel on appeal is granted.

The conviction is **AFFIRMED**; the appeal of the sentence is **DISMISSED**.